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# 4th Landing Support Battalion Family Newsletter

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## Transportation Support Company News Camp Fallujah, Iraq

Our time is done and the replacements are taking the helm! Combat Logistics Company 115, led by Captain Scott Zelesnikar, has just arrived from Camp Pendleton, California and will be supporting the West Coast Marines in combat operations. This has truly been an unforgettable experience for the entire company. Each one of us has learned at least one thing from someone else and formed bonds that are only found among brothers and sisters that wear the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor.

Congratulations to those that were promoted and awarded this quarter!

Matthew Wilson was promoted to Master Sergeant. Anthony Gaede, Cory Picotte, and William Riley picked up Sergeant. Andrew Sylvester, Richard Smith, and Charles Rhodes pinned on Corporal. Brandon Hayes, Dolphus Hill, Minhdoan Ngo, and Umberto Rivas Jr. were meritoriously promoted to Corporal. Dustin Ellis and Corey Lynch were promoted to Lance Corporal and Jonathan Gruber was meritoriously promoted to Lance Corporal.

The Purple Heart Medal was awarded to Corporal Roger Mont for wounds received during a combat logistics patrol in November. Good Conduct Medals were presented to Corporals Bryan Antone, Bryan Bundrick, and Christopher Contreras. Corporal Jared Wooten and Lance Corporals Theodore Bartz and Bruce Dick each received a Certificate of Commendation. LZ East received a Letter of Appreciation from "The Wolfpack" for their outstanding level of service.

We would like to thank all of the family and friends that supported us while we were here. We would also like to thank the businesses and organizations that sent care packages during the holidays.

See you soon!

Gunnery Sergeant Jason E. Campbell First Sergeant



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WITH THE PENDING RETURN OF OUR MARINES WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT SPOUSES AND FAMILIES DO NOT TRAVEL TO NORTH CAROLINA TO MEET THEIR MARINES. RETURNING MARINES WILL START PROCESSING SOON AFTER ARRIVING IN N.C. IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THEIR RETURN TO THE RESERVE CENTER IN FORT LEWIS. ONCE THE MARINES RETURN TO FORT LEWIS THEY WILL BE PLACED IN A 96 HOUR LIBERTY STATUS.



## **RETURN AND REUNION INFORMATION**

INFORMATION IS AVALIABLE AT THE FOLLOWING WEB SITES:

MILITARY ONE SOURCE

http://www.mccsonesource.com/

RETURN AND REUNION WORKSHOP FOR SPOUSES AND FAMILIES

http://www.lifelines2000.org/

RETURN AND REUNION GUIDE FOR FAMILIES AND MARINES

http://www.usmc-mccs.org/

**COMBAT STRESS** 

http://www.lifelines2000.org/dav/lsnmedia/LSN/CombatStress/

FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT THESE WEB SITES PRIOR TO THE RETURN OF THEIR MARINE



### TRAUMATIC - SERVICEMAN'S GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAM (T-SGLI):

- The Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, for Defense, The Global War on Terror and Tsunami Relief 2005 (Public Law 109-13), established a Traumatic Injury Insurance Program under the auspices of the SGLI program. The purpose of the T-SGLI program is to provide financial compensation to service members during their recovery period from a serious traumatic injury (this involves principally those who have suffered loss of limb). The law provides a provision for retroactive payment to Marines who suffered a qualifying loss between 7 Oct 2001 and 30 November 2005 who were in support of OEF/OIF in a combat zone task exclusion area, to include Marines who did not have SGLI coverage.
- Payments range from a minimum of \$25,000 to a maximum of \$100,000, and payment amounts are dependant upon the extent of the Marines injuries.
- Beginning 2 December 2005, all Marines who were enrolled in SGLI were automatically covered by T-SGLI.

M&RA has established an office to handle claims. The office can be reached by phone (703-432-9277), fax (703-432-9032) and email t-sgli@usmc.mil.

#### REMINDER

If your loved one is seriously injured you will be notified by the Family Readiness Officer (FRO) within 24 hours of the FRO receiving the information. Don't believe the so-called "prank" phone calls that something has happened to your Marine or Sailor. Report such activity to your local police department immediately.

Trust only what you hear from your Marines Command, FRO, or from your loved one.

